

Date: Friday, October 24, 1969 Time: 2:30 P.M.

FOR ACTION: Dr. Kissinger

cc (for information):

Saunders

Action

FROM THE STAFF SECRETARY

DUE: Date: Thursday, October 30, 1969 Time: 2:00 P.M.

SUBJECT:

President's request for your recommendations concerning the policy of not denying U.S. Citizenship to Americans who joined the Israeli armed forces and for your recommendations on the advisability of sending Robert Murphy to tour the Mediterranean area.

ACTION REQUESTED:

For Necessary Action

For Your Recommendations

Prepare Agenda and Brief

Draft Reply

For Your Comments

Draft Remarks

REMARKS:

Please review the attached and submit your recommendations by return memorandum.

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Attached to HAK to President 1 Nov. 1969

PLEASE ATTACH THIS COPY TO MATERIAL SUBMITTED.

If you have any questions or if you anticipate a delay in submitting the required material, please telephone the Staff Secretary immediately.

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K. R. COLE, JR.
For the President

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

TOP SECRET

October 23, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: DR. KISSINGER

1 The President, in reviewing his miscellaneous notes after the Shah's visit and relating to other sundry things, asked me to follow up on several items with you.

2 It has been reported to the President that after the coup in Libya and before the summit meeting there, the King of Morocco sent a special message, through his Ambassador, to the President, but received absolutely no response -- not even an acknowledgement of receipt of the message. The President wants this checked out and wants a report back on it.

3 He is concerned that the publicly revealed policy of not denying U.S. Citizenship to Americans who join the Israeli armed forces is doing great damage to the U.S. in the Arab world because it is being widely publicized there. The President's concern here is that this may result in Arab counter-reaction which would result in their asking for Russian volunteers who would then come in and fly Egyptian planes and thus greatly increase the danger of escalation. He would like you to study this possibility and give him an analysis.

In order to get a general overall view of the whole Mediterranean area situation, the President thinks it would be advisable to send Robert Murphy on a quiet tour of the area and have him report back privately to the President on the situation. He would like your recommendation on this.



H. R. HALDEMAN

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